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**Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper Recalled for Possible Salmonella Contamination**

(JUNEAU, AK) Olde Thompson Inc. has issued a recall for Kirkland Signature Course Ground Malabar Pepper because it may be contaminated with Salmonella.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain beginning 12 to 72 hours after infection. The illness usually lasts four to seven days. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis, and arthritis. People exhibiting any of these symptoms should contact their healthcare provider.

The affected product can be identified by the Best Before date and Lot # located below the back label.

Product	Best By Date	Lot #	UPC Code
Kirkland Signature Course Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ plastic jars	03/2017	065099	096619164998
		065169	
		065254	
		065255	
		065256	
		065284	

Alaska DEC has confirmed this product was available in Alaska. To date, no illnesses or reactions have been reported in Alaska or elsewhere.

Consumers are advised to dispose of the product. Consumers with questions may contact an Olde Thompson Customer Care Representative at 844-568-5555 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. CST.

For more information on this recall, visit:  
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm400179.htm>.

For more information on recalls affecting Alaskans, visit DEC's website:  
<http://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/recallsalerts.html>.

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